

Site Name	Region: 6	INFRA or Forest Site ID	31728
Forlorn Lakes CG	Forest: Gifford Pinchot	District:	Mt. Adams



Site Type: Campground	Trash Cans <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tent Site <input type="checkbox"/>	Reasonable Visitor Protection <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Amenities- Must have 5 of 9	Fire Ring <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Drinking Water <input type="checkbox"/>	Access Roads <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Fee Collection <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Toilet Facilities <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Picnic Tables <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

REA Fee Type	Expanded Amenity
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Change Summary

Action Requested:	Fee Increase
Proposed Fee:	\$10.00
Start Date:	6/1/2007
Expected Annual Occupancy (%)	41

Additional Fee Structure:

Single sites, \$10.00/night/site; limit 6 guests and 2 vehicles.

Three double sites, \$20/night/site, with up to 12 guests and 4 vehicles.

Overflow area for extra parking provided free of charge. To minimize resource damage, extra vehicles will NOT be allowed at any of the sites.

Current Situation

Date of Last Fee Increase:	7/1/2004
Current Fee	\$5
Current Annual Occupancy (%)	41

Additional Fee Structure:

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Financial Information

Annual O&M:	\$8,574
Deferred Maint. Backlog	\$18,446
Start-Up Costs	\$0
Current Revenue	\$3,830
Predicted Revenue	\$7,600
Difference in revenue associated with fee change:	\$3,770

Planned Accomplishments

- ☐ Increase Hours of Operation
- ☒ Improve facilities / Services
- ☒ Reduce Deferred Maintenance
- ☒ Maintain Site to Standard

Planned Accomplishments and Methods for Informing the Public:

Planned Accomplishments: Repair picnic tables; rock sections of roads and overflow parking area; establish tent pads. Plant vegetation to prevent site expansion. Increase security/enforcement patrols on peak/holiday weekends. Provide volunteer host.

Method to inform public: Posters and annual recreation fee accomplishment report.

Reason for Changing Fee

Fees do not cover costs of basic costs of annual operations and maintenance and we fall short on providing adequate FS presence. The lake-side sites in this campground are very large and secluded, providing a setting unparalleled to other FS campgrounds on the District, probably the Forest. The campground receives very high use through the summer weekends. We've had a volunteer host on-site for the past two seasons. Additional FS presence is needed for security/enforcement. Adjacent concessionaire-managed campgrounds charge \$16/night for small, hill-side sites with similar amenities.

- ☒ Align fee to local market
- ☒ Inflationary Increase
- ☐ Outcome of RSFMP Process
- ☒ Increase / Improve Service
- ☐ Add Amenity

Level of Complexity:

Medium Complexity

Results of Not Implementing Fee Change

Due to the unique aspects of this campground, it receives a lot of use, and abuse. Without a host and frequent security/enforcement presence, the campsites tend to get overcrowded with visitors trying to pack many vehicles and campers into a site. Large, rowdy groups often disrupt other campers. "Site creep" and associated resource damage are common with the groups of all sizes.

- ☒ Reduce Season or Service
- ☒ Eliminate Season or Service
- ☐ Decommission Site
- ☐ Close Site

Public Participation

Have the following tasks been accomplished? ☒ Yes

New Fee Minimum Tasks

- Six months advance notice in Federal Register
- Announcement in local media
- Announcements near or in site where fee will be implemented
- Briefing with federal legislators (per WO direction)
- Give people an opportunity to review project plans (if completed) (from Interagency Federal Register Notice)

Fee Change Minimum Tasks

- Announcement in local media
- Announcements near or in site where fee will be implemented
- Briefing with federal legislators (per WO direction)

Other Public Participation Tasks

Published press release in 2006. Posted public notice in Mt. Adams RD office. Presented fee change proposal to R6 Rec Fee Board in 2006. Posted public notice in Campground late summer 2006.

Public Participation Results

Two phone calls and one letter received complaining about increase.

Brief Description of Project Area

Forlorn Lakes CG is a campground with 25 camping sites scattered in seven locations around the major lakes in the Forlorn Lakes chain. "Development" began as a user-created dispersed camping area. Over the years, amenities (toilets, fire rings, road rocking) have been provided for resource protection. The majority of the campsites are situated along the lakeshores, and all have parking, picnic tables and firerings; garbage collection service is provided. Most sites are quite large by campground standards, varying from approximately 50'x25' to 100'x100'. The setting offers a more secluded camping experience than a typical campground. The lakes offer non-motorized water-based recreation activities. A centralized vault toilet is provided for each cluster of campsites. The campground is typically full or close to full on summer weekends and becomes overcrowded during holiday weekends. A volunteer camp host is on site during the high use summer season.